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CITY NOTES.

Charles E. Wenzel, of the firm of Wolf & Wenzel, is in New York on a business trip.

Miss Emma Wenzel and Mrs. Herman Schmidt are in Newark, N. J., visiting friends.

The new officers of Union Veterans' union, No. 25, Colonel Jackson, of Oxford camp, were installed Thursday night.

Scranton castle, 137, Ancient Order Knights of the Mystic Chain, will hold its first annual ball in Music Hall Monday evening, Feb. 22.

Philadelphia parties were in the city yesterday looking at the plans and plot on which it is proposed to erect a first-class apartment house.

Owen Williams and Mrs. Kate Kelly got drunk Thursday night and were arrested near the base ball park. Yesterday morning each was fined \$5 by Mayor Bailey.

Through the efforts of Alderman Wright, Mrs. James Lynch, of 508 Emmet street, was awarded an original pension. The pension certificate arrived yesterday.

The Sunday News will be issued tomorrow with Colonel F. J. Fitzsimmons as sole editor and proprietor. He promises to make many changes and improvements in the paper.

At a special meeting of the poor board Thursday night the bonds of Treasurer John Van Buren, Tax Collector Wale M. Finn and Secretary E. J. Lynett were read and approved.

The funeral of the late Agnes Judge will take place this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from the family residence, 47 Railroad avenue. Services will be conducted at St. Peter's cathedral.

No report was made by the grand jury John R. Jones' case until today when the business of the week will be concluded and a final report made.

Mrs. J. B. Kenyon, of Blakely, widow of the late Rev. J. B. Kenyon, and mother of Mrs. John T. Howe, sustained a severe stroke of apoplexy Thursday. She is nearly 80 years of age and there is considerable doubt as to her recovery.

Arthur E. Miller, the acting manager of the "The Mississippi" company which appeared at the Academy of Music last night, was formerly a tenor of the Bennett and Moulton Opera company and was frequently heard with that organization in this city.

Company C, fourth military rank of the Ancient Order Knights of the Mystic Chain, of this city, will visit Jersey castle, No. 62, of Jersey on the evening of Wednesday, Jan. 29. The same company will visit the Mystic Chain castle in Jersey on Saturday evening, Jan. 29.

Bridget Gray, of Lafayette street, through her attorneys, Zimmerman & Watson, yesterday began proceedings against the Traction company for \$1,500 damages. Last August, while boarding an open car in front of the Scranton House it gave a sudden start, throwing her against an upright and fracturing five of her ribs.

John McCabe, who is employed in the Pine Brook shaft, was taken to Moses Taylor hospital yesterday afternoon, severely injured about his back. He was working in the mine when a block-head became detached over the spot where he was standing. In its descent it landed on his back and threw him to the ground. They would be received are not considered very serious.

A suit in ejectment was yesterday instituted by Attorneys Watson & Zimmerman and Clawley & Sheen for Heidiger Gray, Catherine Gray and Catherine Sullivan against Mary, Catherine, James, Patrick, Thomas, Annie, Elizabeth and Nellie McCormack. The property in dispute is a lot of land and frame dwelling on Lafayette street in the Fourteenth ward. The parties in the action are relatives. Each claims title by deed.

Several changes in the r. line of cars went into effect on the r. 27 lines yesterday morning. One car was taken off

the Bellevue and Stone avenue line, giving 30-minute trips instead of twenty minutes; one car from Throop, giving forty-five minutes instead of 30-minute service, but retaining the same 15-minute intervals. The car leaving the barn until 10.30 a. m., and the car running between the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western crossing and the Marlboro will not run until 11.15 a. m.

The crew of the Delaware and Hudson train which struck Mrs. Goss at Arch-hall two weeks ago and which caused her death at the Lackawanna hospital, were examined last night by Coroner Longstreet before the jury in the case on the arrival of the train at 7.45 o'clock at the Delaware and Hudson station. Their testimony indicated that the woman was not run down at the Archhall crossing, but near that point, and that all possible means were employed to stop the train and that proper warning signals were sounded. After hearing the testimony the jury adjourned to meet tonight in Coroner Longstreet's office.

William Shafer, bar-tender in the Grand Central, made things lively about that hotel at 2.45 o'clock yesterday morning. He was under the stimulus of the liquor and in the habit of dispensing to the thirty and the first victim of his abnormal activity was a fellow-bar-tender. Among other offensive acts he asked a superior and made degrading efforts to test the relative endurance of the frightened bar-tender's cranial and the earthen spittoon. Patrolmen Day and Mohr appeared on the scene and threatened these guardians of the peace were the objects of his wrath. It was with much difficulty that he was landed in the jail. Police court yesterday morning he paid a \$5 fine and was released.

GANNON MAY BE RELEASED

Attorneys Have Begun Proceedings Along a New Line That Promises a Further Airing of the Case.

Among the probabilities of the near future is the release from the county jail of James Gannon of the West Side, who has been confined there for contempt of court since June, 1894.

Gannon it will be remembered was a party in an ejectment suit for the possession of a lot on the corner of Sweetland and Pleasant streets in the county tenth ward, the other parties being Thomas Rice and Patrick Gannon, his brother and brother-in-law respectively. The case dragged on from the year 1881 until June, 1894, when court decreed that the land belonged to Mary Rice, wife of Thomas Rice, and directed Gannon to sign the deed transferring it to her.

He refused to sign and on June 16 was committed for contempt. Various means were adopted to urge Gannon to save himself from his own rashness but he stolidly refused to obey the court's mandate, saying he would not in any manner be a party to robbing himself of his hand-earned property. The feature of the case which makes his obstinacy most remarkable is that the Riels possess and can transfer the property, whether or not he signs the deed.

Now his attorneys are making a new move by which to rescue him without compromising Gannon or the court. It is to secure a new trial of the original case and show that Gannon's imprisonment is a fraud, accident or mistake as it is indicated on fraud, accident or mistake.

Court in its finding said that the action had been transmitted from a common law ejectment to an equitable action of ejectment with conditional verdict at the request of Gannon's attorneys. The attorneys, John F. Scragg and Ira H. Burns and Gannon himself avow that they never authorized or requested such a change or that a conditional verdict be rendered.

These affidavits are made part of a petition filed yesterday by Mrs. Burns and Richard Bastedo, Jr., praying that judgment be opened; that the verdict be set aside; that the former motion for a new trial, once denied, be reopened and allowed; and that Gannon be released from imprisonment pending these proceedings.

SCRANTON BUSINESS COLLEGE.

A half thousand students now in daily attendance.

Another student, a young man from the business department, has secured a good position.

Professor P. Donald Yoder, principal of the shorthand department, receives many flattering testimonials concerning his ability as an instructor.

Prof. J. W. Manuel, of Brockville, Ont., began his studies last Monday morning.

Prof. Manuel has had wide and varied experience, is a conscientious worker and has already become quite popular among the students.

A mother writes—"I am almost tempted to feel jealous of the Scranton Business college, as it is getting to be a question which of my boys loves most, his home or his school."

OVERDOSE OF POISON.

Photographer Stickler Took Forty Grains of Aloes to Aid Digestion.

Forty grains of aloes nearly caused the death of Jacob Stickler, supposed to be a Philadelphia photographer, who was admitted to the Lackawanna hospital under peculiar circumstances last night.

About 8.30 o'clock Stickler and two women arrived at the hospital in a cab. The latter said he had taken aloes for a digestive disorder, but had taken an overdose. Instead of four or five grains, he had swallowed forty.

The stomach pump was put to use and the contents emptied out of the stomach. Before arriving at the hospital an antidote had been obtained at a drug store. That precaution probably saved Stickler's life. Opium was administered at the hospital, and at midnight he was asleep and out of danger.

Particulars of Stickler's identity, the names of his women companions and his Scranton address were facts which the hospital authorities failed to obtain.

PECK'S BAD BOY.

Good Specialties for Older Folks and Franks' Food for One.

"Peck's Bad Boy" isn't a name put together to please children. It will please children but that's not its full scope. It will please everybody and anybody that enjoys good singing and dancing and character sketches.

Bert Hale's soft foot dancing and Fred Wenzel's German dialect stories are the best things on the bill. The performance will be repeated at the Frothingham this afternoon and evening.

SUIT OVER CHURCH PROPERTY.

Reversionary Clause in a Deed the Bone of Contention.

A suit to settle a difference of opinion existing between the executive board of the Penn. Avenue church and Nathaniel Halstead, one of its deacons, regarding the ownership of the old parsonage on Millin avenue, was yesterday begun by Mr. Halstead through

OUR ITINERANT COUNTY COURT

Judge Gunster Holds a Session in the Traders Bank Building.

HERE TODAY; AWAY TOMORROW

The Church vs. Guernsey Case Started in Cincinnati Where Depositions Were Taken; Was Transferred to the Federal Court Room in This City; Yesterday It Was Heard in a Law Firm's Office; Next Week It Will Be on Trial in the County Court House—Patient and Obliging Jurist.

A two weeks term of superior court building, corner of Wyoming avenue and Second street, was yesterday honored by being made the seat of Lackawanna county's equity court.

The fact that the superior court judges would require the Federal court room for consultation today and that the junior wanted a day's grace for putting the place in superior shape, compelled Judge Gunster, who is presiding in equity court this week, to move to some other quarters. None of the court rooms in the remodelled county temple of justice are yet in shape and the Hon. Hon. Gunster is about for some other quarters. Watson, Diehl, Hall & Kemmerer, attorneys for the plaintiff, in the case of the John Church company against Guernsey Bros, which is—and has been all week—on trial, preferred the use of their suit of rooms and this being agreeable to C. H. Welles and S. E. Price, attorneys for the Guernseys, Judge Gunster acquiesced and the profer was accepted.

It was a real court too just like it was to be held in the regular court rooms. Judge Gunster relaxed none of his austerity because of his sitting in the same level and within arms reach of those who were trying to convince him that he was white or black as the case might be. Uncle Jake Snyder at 10, twelve, five and forty-three o'clock with the same "O Yes, O Yes" with which he is wont to strike terror into the hearts of the assembled multitude in No. 1;

terday begun by Mr. Halstead through Attorney Alfred Hand, W. J. Hand and Frank T. Okel. Twenty-six years ago Mr. Halstead decided the property to the church with the understanding that it was to be used for parsonage purposes only. Last November when Rev. Dr. Dixon came here to accept the pastorate, the Captain Hines home on Jefferson avenue was secured as a parsonage. This Mr. Halstead believes is a violation of



TEMPORARY COURT ROOM.

the contract and he is proceeding to repossess himself of the property. The church board holds that Mr. Halstead verbally agreed before a meeting of the officers of the church, prior to Dr. Dixon's coming to become pastor, to allow the old parsonage to be rented or sold and a more suitable building secured. They also point out that they have not violated the contract as the old parsonage has not yet been used for other than parsonage purposes.

FUNERAL OF MRS. W'DADE,

High Mass of Requiem Celebrated in St. Peter's Cathedral.

The funeral of Mrs. Dennis McDade occurred yesterday morning at the home of her mother, Mrs. D. C. O'Donnell, on Madison avenue. A solemn high mass of requiem was sung at St. Peter's cathedral.

Rev. Thomas Carmody was celebrant of the mass, Rev. J. W. Malone deacon, and Rev. M. Loftus, subdeacon. The former preached the funeral sermon, in which tribute was paid to the young woman's high character.

TWO MORE MISMATED COUPLES.

Forest City and Winton Ench Furnish a Case Yesterday.

Actions in divorce were yesterday begun by Ann Llewellyn, of Forest City, against her husband, William T. Llewellyn, and Michael Smith, of Winton, against his wife, Maria Smith.

Cruelty is the ground for complaint in the Llewellyn case. They were married December 29, 1875, and lived together till November 29, last. In the Smith case there is a co-respondent named James Farrell. The Smiths have lived together since December, 1871. L. P. Wedeman is the attorney in the first case, and Watson & Zimmerman in the second.

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No day since the opening has there been less than twenty new pupils to register.

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The rapid and sure way that Paine's celery compound cures neuralgia, rheumatism and nervous debility is marvelous even in the eyes of this wonder-working quarter of the century.

Ancient miracles were contrary to nature, whereas the remarkable power of Paine's celery compound to make people well, comes from a better understanding of the natural causes of diseases.

That wonderful set of nerves known as the "sympathetic nervous system," that knits every part of the body together and harmonizes all, is understood today as never before. Many persons are not

aware that any such nerves exist. They do not know that nothing goes on in any part of the body that every other part does not instantly "know of." The closeness of this sympathy is familiarly illustrated by headaches, indigestion, rheumatism, neuralgia, etc. About every case of sleeplessness, nervousness and dyspepsia is a "sympathetic strike" by brain, nerves or stomach, induced by the lowering of the general health.

People who think to get rid of these troubles by some medicine that disregards the general health of the body are on the wrong track. In getting such diseases as neuralgia and rheumatism out of the system Paine's celery compound proceeds at once to restore a normal appetite and regulate the nerves, as the foundation for building up the health and vigor.

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If the reader of this is not in perfect health let him simply try a first bottle of Paine's celery compound and carefully note the results.

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Everybody, Attention. Remember our stock of goods is not a cheap line bought for auction sale, but the accumulation of years of unredeemed pledges, consisting of watches, rings, diamonds, musical instruments, bric-a-brac, etc. Everything must go, as we are going to quit business.

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MARRIED. BONETTO-PEARCE—At the Baptist parsonage, Jan. 6, 1897, by Rev. S. F. Matthews, William P. Bonetto and Miss Mary L. Pearce, both of Scranton, Pa.

DIED. ZERFAS—In Scranton, Jan. 7, 1897, Mrs. Luella Zerfas, at her home, 116 Washburn street. Funeral services will be held at the house on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made in Forest Hill cemetery.

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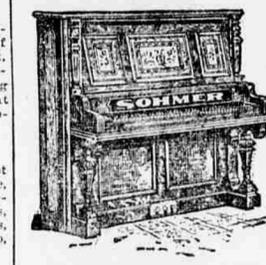


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